SENATE BILL 2615

By Bowling

AN ACT to amend Chapter 302 of the Private Acts of 1982; and any other acts amendatory thereto, relative to probate jurisdiction in Franklin County.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Chapter 302 of the Private Acts of 1982; and any other acts amendatory thereto, is amended by adding the following new sections:

SECTION ____. Notwithstanding this Chapter and any other chapter amendatory thereto, effective July 1, 2014, all clerical duties and responsibilities for the probate court currently exercised by the circuit court clerk shall transfer to the clerk and master.

SECTION ____. Notwithstanding this Chapter and any other chapter amendatory thereto, effective July 1, 2014, all jurisdiction relating to the probate of wills and the administration of estates of every nature, including the estates of decedents and of wards under guardianships or conservatorships and related matters presently in the court of general sessions shall be transferred to chancery court.

SECTION 2. This act shall have no effect unless it is approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the legislative body of Franklin County. Its approval or nonapproval shall be proclaimed by the presiding officer of legislative body and certified to the secretary of state.

SECTION 3. For the purpose of approving or rejecting the provisions of this act, it shall be effective upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it. For all other purposes, it shall become effective as provided in Section 2.